

§§ 9010, 9011. Transferred**Editorial Notes****CODIFICATION**

Section 9010, Pub. L. 103-382, title IV, § 411, Oct. 20, 1994, 108 Stat. 4036; Pub. L. 107-110, title VI, § 602(a), Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1898; Pub. L. 107-279, title IV, § 401(d)(1)-(7), Nov. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 1984, was renumbered Pub. L. 107-279, title III, § 303, by Pub. L. 107-279, title IV, § 401(d)(8), Nov. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 1984, and transferred to section 9622 of this title.

Section 9011, Pub. L. 103-382, title IV, § 412, Oct. 20, 1994, 108 Stat. 4039; Pub. L. 106-554, § 1(a)(1) [title III, § 307], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-44; Pub. L. 107-110, title VI, § 602(b), Jan. 8, 2002, 115 Stat. 1904; Pub. L. 107-279, title IV, § 401(c)(1)-(5), Nov. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 1983, was renumbered Pub. L. 107-279, title III, § 302, by Pub. L. 107-279, title IV, § 401(c)(6), Nov. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 1984, and transferred to section 9621 of this title.

§ 9012. Repealed. Pub. L. 107-279, title IV, § 403(1), Nov. 5, 2002, 116 Stat. 1985

Section, Pub. L. 103-382, title IV, § 413, Oct. 20, 1994, 108 Stat. 4041, authorized appropriations.

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Editorial Notes**CODIFICATION**

Title II of Pub. L. 94-462, comprising this chapter, was originally enacted as Pub. L. 94-462, title II, Oct. 8, 1976, 90 Stat. 1975; Pub. L. 96-496, title II, § 201, Dec. 4, 1980, 94 Stat. 2591; Pub. L. 98-306, §§ 8-11, May 31, 1984, 98 Stat. 225; Pub. L. 99-194, title II, Dec. 20, 1985, 99 Stat. 1344; Pub. L. 101-512, title III, § 318 [title II, §§ 201, 202(a)(1), (b), 203-205], Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1960, 1974, 1975, known as the Museum Services Act, and classified to section 961 et seq. of this title. Title II is shown, herein, however, as having been added by Pub. L. 104-208 without reference to such intervening amendments because of the extensive amendments to the provisions of title II by Pub. L. 104-208.

SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS**§ 9101. General definitions**

As used in this chapter:

(1) Determined to be obscene

The term “determined to be obscene” means determined, in a final judgment of a court of record and of competent jurisdiction in the United States, to be obscene.

(2) Digital literacy skills

The term “digital literacy skills” means the skills associated with—

- (A) using technology to enable users to find, evaluate, organize, create, and communicate information; and
- (B) developing digital citizenship and the responsible use of technology.

(3) Director

The term “Director” means the Director of the Institute appointed under section 9103 of this title.

(4) Final judgment

The term “final judgment” means a judgment that is—

- (A) not reviewed by any other court that has authority to review such judgment; or
- (B) not reviewable by any other court.

(5) Indian tribe

The term “Indian tribe” means any tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community, including any Alaska native village, regional corporation, or village corporation (as defined in, or established pursuant to, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)), which is recognized as eligible for the special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians.

(6) Institute

The term “Institute” means the Institute of Museum and Library Services established under section 9102 of this title.

(7) Museum and Library Services Board

The term “Museum and Library Services Board” means the National Museum and Li-

brary Services Board established under section 9105a of this title.

(8) Obscene

The term “obscene” means, with respect to a project, that—

(A) the average person, applying contemporary community standards, would find that such project, when taken as a whole, appeals to the prurient interest;

(B) such project depicts or describes sexual conduct in a patently offensive way; and

(C) such project, when taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value.

(Pub. L. 94–462, title II, §202, as added Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, §101(e) [title VII, §702], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–233, 3009–294; amended Pub. L. 108–81, title I, §101, Sept. 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 992; Pub. L. 111–340, title I, §101, Dec. 22, 2010, 124 Stat. 3595; Pub. L. 115–410, §2, Dec. 31, 2018, 132 Stat. 5412.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, referred to in par. (5), is Pub. L. 92–203, Dec. 18, 1971, 85 Stat. 688, which is classified generally to chapter 33 (§1601 et seq.) of Title 43, Public Lands. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1601 of Title 43 and Tables.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 202 of Pub. L. 94–462 was classified to section 961 of this title prior to the general amendment of title II of Pub. L. 94–462 by Pub. L. 104–208.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Par. (2). Pub. L. 115–410, §2(1), substituted “means the skills associated with—” and subpars. (A) and (B) for “means the skills associated with using technology to enable users to find, evaluate, organize, create, and communicate information.”

Par. (5). Pub. L. 115–410, §2(2), struck out “by the Secretary of the Interior” after “which is recognized”.

2010—Pars. (2) to (8). Pub. L. 111–340 added par. (2) and redesignated former pars. (2) to (7) as (3) to (8), respectively.

2003—Par. (1). Pub. L. 108–81, §101(1), added par. (1) and struck out heading and text of former par. (1). Text read as follows: “The term ‘Commission’ means the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science established under section 1502 of this title.”

Pars. (3) to (5). Pub. L. 108–81, §101(2)–(4), added pars. (3) and (4), redesignated former par. (3) as (5), and struck out heading and text of former par. (4). Text read as follows: “The term ‘Museum Board’ means the National Museum Services Board established under section 9175 of this title.”

Pars. (6), (7). Pub. L. 108–81, §101(5), added pars. (6) and (7).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108–81, title V, §506, Sept. 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 1005, provided that: “The amendments made by this Act [enacting sections 9105a and 9107 to 9109 of this title, amending this section, sections 956a, 974, 1503 to 1505, 9102, 9103, 9106, 9121 to 9123, 9131, 9134, 9141, 9162, 9171 to 9173, and 9176 of this title, and section 170 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code, repealing sections 9174 and 9175 of this title, enacting provisions set out as a note under this section, and repealing provisions set out as notes under sections 351 and 1029 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Museum and Library Services Act’.”

under sections 9102, 9103, and 9105 of this title] shall take effect on the date of enactment of this Act [Sept. 25, 2003], except that the amendments made by sections 203, 204, and 305 of this Act [amending sections 9123, 9131, and 9176 of this title] shall take effect on October 1, 2003.”

SHORT TITLE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 115–410, §1(a), Dec. 31, 2018, 132 Stat. 5412, provided that: “This Act [enacting section 9175 of this title and amending sections 9101, 9103, 9105a, 9108, 9111, 9121 to 9123, 9131, 9134, 9141, 9151, 9162, 9165, 9171 to 9173, and 9176 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Museum and Library Services Act of 2018’.”

SHORT TITLE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 111–340, §1(a), Dec. 22, 2010, 124 Stat. 3594, provided that: “This Act [enacting part 4 of subchapter II of this chapter and sections 9110 and 9111 of this title, amending this section and sections 953, 958, 9103, 9105, 9105a, 9107, 9108, 9121, 9123, 9131, 9134, 9141, 9162, 9171 to 9173, and 9176 of this title, repealing chapter 34 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under section 9102 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Museum and Library Services Act of 2010’.”

SHORT TITLE OF 2003 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108–81, §1, Sept. 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 991, provided that: “This Act [enacting sections 9105a and 9107 to 9109 of this title, amending this section, sections 956a, 974, 1503 to 1505, 9102, 9103, 9106, 9121 to 9123, 9131, 9134, 9141, 9162, 9171 to 9173, and 9176 of this title, and section 170 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code, repealing sections 9174 and 9175 of this title, enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and section 956a of this title, and repealing provisions set out as notes under sections 9102, 9103, and 9105 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Museum and Library Services Act of 2003’.”

SHORT TITLE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105–128, §1, Dec. 1, 1997, 111 Stat. 2548, provided that: “This Act [amending sections 9105, 9122, 9131, 9133, 9161, and 9162 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Museum and Library Services Technical and Conforming Amendments of 1997’.”

SHORT TITLE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, §101(e) [title VII, §701], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–233, 3009–293, provided that: “This title [enacting this chapter, amending sections 1069b, 1504, 1505, 3441, 3473, 3489, 6621, 6645, 6648, 6649, 6813, 8091, 8102, and 8104 of this title, section 5315 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, section 276d–3 of former Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, section 214 of former Title 40, Appendix, section 3338 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, section 254 of Title 47, Telecommunications, and section 1666 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions, repealing sections 351 to 386g, 1021 to 1047, 1221i, and 7001 to 7005 of this title, enacting provisions set out under this section and sections 9102, 9103, and 9105 of this title, and repealing provisions set out as notes under sections 351 and 1029 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Museum and Library Services Act of 1996’.”

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 94–462, title II, §201, as added by Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, §101(e) [title VII, §702], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–233, 3009–293, provided that: “This title [enacting this chapter] may be cited as the ‘Museum and Library Services Act’.”

Pub. L. 94–462, title II, §211, as added by Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, §101(e) [title VII, §702], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–233, 3009–295, provided that: “This subtitle [subtitle B (§§211–263) of title II of Pub. L. 94–462, enacting subchapter II of this chapter] may be cited as the ‘Library Services and Technology Act’.”

Pub. L. 94–462, title II, §271, as added by Pub. L. 108–81, title III, §306(2), Sept. 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 1002, pro-

vided that: “This subtitle [subtitle C (§§ 271–276) of title II of Pub. L. 94–462, enacting subchapter III of this chapter] may be cited as the ‘Museum Services Act.’”

§ 9102. Institute of Museum and Library Services

(a) Establishment

There is established, within the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities, an Institute of Museum and Library Services.

(b) Offices

The Institute shall consist of an Office of Museum Services and an Office of Library Services.

(c) Museum and Library Services Board

There shall be a National Museum and Library Services Board within the Institute, as provided under section 9105a of this title.

(Pub. L. 94–462, title II, § 203, as added Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, § 101(e) [title VII, § 702], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–233, 3009–311, required Director of the Office of Management and Budget to take appropriate measures to ensure orderly transition from activities previously administered by Director of Library Programs in the Office of Educational Research and Improvement in the Department of Education to the activities administered by the Institute for Museum and Library Services, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 108–81, title V, § 505(b), Sept. 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 992.)

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 203 of Pub. L. 94–462 was classified to section 962 of this title prior to the general amendment of title II of Pub. L. 94–462 by Pub. L. 104–208.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 108–81, § 102(1), struck out at end “There shall be a National Museum Services Board in the Office of Museum Services.”

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108–81, § 102(2), added subsec. (c).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Pub. L. 111–340, title IV, § 401(b), (c), Dec. 22, 2010, 124 Stat. 3604, provided that:

“(b) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS.—The functions that the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science exercised before the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 22, 2010] shall be transferred to the Institute of Museum and Library Services established under section 203 of the Museum and Library Services Act (20 U.S.C. 9102).

“(c) TRANSFER AND ALLOCATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND PERSONNEL.—The personnel and the assets, contracts, property, records, and unexpended balance of appropriations, authorizations, allocations, and other funds employed, held, used, arising from, available to, or to be made available for the functions and activities vested by law in the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science shall be transferred to the Institute of Museum and Library Services upon the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 22, 2010].”

Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, § 101(e) [title VII, § 704], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–233, 3009–307, provided for transfer of functions from the Institute of Museum Services and the Library Program Office to Director of Institute of Museum and Library Services, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 108–81, title V, § 505(b), Sept. 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 1004.

REFERENCES TO NATIONAL COMMISSION ON LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION SCIENCE CONSTRUED TO BE REFERENCES TO INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Pub. L. 111–340, title IV, § 401(d), Dec. 22, 2010, 124 Stat. 3605, provided that: “Any reference to the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science in any Federal law, Executive Order, rule, delegation of

authority, or document shall be construed to refer to the Institute of Museum and Library Services when the reference regards functions transferred under subsection (b) [set out as a note above].”

TRANSITION AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Pub. L. 104–208, div. A, title I, § 101(e) [title VII, § 707], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009–233, 3009–311, required Director of the Office of Management and Budget to take appropriate measures to ensure orderly transition from activities previously administered by Director of Library Programs in the Office of Educational Research and Improvement in the Department of Education to the activities administered by the Institute for Museum and Library Services, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 108–81, title V, § 505(b), Sept. 25, 2003, 117 Stat. 1004.

Executive Documents

EX. ORD. NO. 14084. PROMOTING THE ARTS, THE HUMANITIES, AND MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Ex. Ord. No. 14084, Sept. 30, 2022, 87 F.R. 60535, as amended by Ex. Ord. No. 14109, § 5, Sept. 29, 2023, 88 F.R. 68449, provided:

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

SECTION 1. Policy. The arts, the humanities, and museum and library services are essential to the well-being, health, vitality, and democracy of our Nation. They are the soul of America, reflecting our multicultural and democratic experience. They further help us strive to be the more perfect Union to which generation after generation of Americans have aspired. They inspire us; provide livelihoods; sustain, anchor, and bring cohesion within diverse communities across our Nation; stimulate creativity and innovation; help us understand and communicate our values as a people; compel us to wrestle with our history and enable us to imagine our future; invigorate and strengthen our democracy; and point the way toward progress.

It is the policy of my Administration to advance the cultural vitality of the United States by promoting the arts, the humanities, and museum and library services. To that end, my Administration will advance equity, accessibility, and opportunities for all Americans, particularly in underserved communities as defined in Executive Order 13985 of January 20, 2021 (Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government) [5 U.S.C. 601 note], so that they may realize their full potential through the arts, the humanities, and access to museum and library services. Additionally, we will strengthen America’s creative and cultural economy, including by enhancing and expanding opportunities for artists, humanities scholars, students, educators, and cultural heritage practitioners, as well as the museums, libraries, archives, historic sites, colleges and universities, and other institutions that support their work.

Under my Administration, the arts, the humanities, and museum and library services will be integrated into strategies, policies, and programs that advance the economic development, well-being, and resilience of all communities, especially those that have historically been underserved. The arts, the humanities, and museum and library services will be promoted and expanded to strengthen public, physical, and mental health; wellness; and healing, including within military and veteran communities. We will enhance access to high-quality arts and humanities education and programming with the aim of enabling every child in America to obtain the broad creative skills and enrichment vital to succeed. My Administration’s efforts to tackle the climate crisis will be bolstered through Federal and societal support for and advancement of the arts, the humanities, and museum and library services. We will also safeguard and promote the artistic and cultural heritage of the United States and its people domestically and internationally. Finally, my Admini-